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RE: Certification of High Cost Support for Rural Carriers Under 47 C.F.R. Sections 54.314;
CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

Attached is a list of rural carriers that have accounted to the North Dakota Public Service Commission by Affidavit that all federal support they will receive in 2010 will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Also attached is a copy of the September 29, 2009 Order of the North Dakota Public Service Commission and the affidavits from the companies listed.

Sincerely,

Patrick Fahn, Director
Compliance and Competitive Markets
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Case No. PU-09-217

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Janet Marquart deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **29th** day of **September, 2009**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes by FedEx Priority Overnight Mail, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

**Letter of Certification
Commission Motion
Commission Order
Listing of Rural Carriers
Affidavits of Certification**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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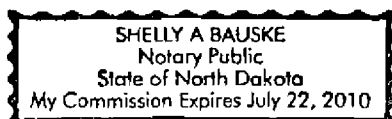
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Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **29th** day of **September, 2009**.

Janet Marquart

SEAL



Shelly A Bauske
Notary Public

APPROVED

DATE:

9-29-09

MOTION

September 29, 2009

**Public Service Commission
USF Use Certification 47 CFR 54.314 (2010)
Compliance**

Case No. PU-09-217

I move the Commission adopt the Order Certifying Use of Federal Universal Services Support for rural eligible telecommunications carriers to receive federal universal service funding in 2010, Case No. PU-09-217.

PJF

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Public Service Commission
USF Use Certification 47 CFR 54.314 (2010)
Compliance**

Case No. PU-09-217

ORDER CERTIFYING USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICES SUPPORT

September 29, 2009

Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act) requires telecommunications carriers to use universal service support "only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended." On May 23, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released its Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 (Fourteenth R&O). The Fourteenth R&O requires that each state public utility regulatory authority file an annual certification with the FCC to ensure that rural telecommunications carriers receiving federal funds under the program use the support only as provided in Section 254(e) of the Act. State certification must be filed no later than October 1 of each year in order for certified telecommunications carriers to receive support for the following year, 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(d).

On August 28, 2002, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) issued an order in Case No. PU-439-02-441 indicating that any telecommunications carrier providing local exchange service in North Dakota that desires to have NDPSC certification to the FCC under 47 C.F.R. §§54.313 or 54.314 shall file an affidavit with the NDPSC by September 14 of each year, as described in the order, certifying that federal support they receive is used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended as required by Section 254(e). The NDPSC further ordered that affidavits filed with the NDPSC will be the basis for the NDPSC's certification to the FCC.

Affidavits regarding use of federal universal service support for the year 2010 were filed with the NDPSC by the companies listed in the ordering clause below.

Under North Dakota law, the NDPSC has limited jurisdiction over rural telecommunications carriers. The FCC in its order recognized that some states have only limited regulatory oversight to ensure that federal universal support is reflected in intrastate rates and concluded that such states may nonetheless certify to the FCC that carriers in the state had accounted to the state commission for receipt of federal support, and that the support will be used as required under Section 254(e). (See Fourteenth R&O at ¶ 188). The FCC also recognized that some carriers may not be

subject to the jurisdiction of a state regulatory authority, and in those instances carriers can certify directly to the FCC by means of a sworn affidavit executed by a corporate officer attesting to the use of the support only for purposes permitted under the Act. (See Fourteenth R&O at ¶ 189).

Based on the foregoing, the NDPSC issues the following:

Order

The NDPSC orders:

1. The NDPSC certifies that the following Eligible Telecommunications Carriers providing local exchange service in North Dakota have accounted to the NDPSC by affidavit that all federal support they receive is used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended as required by Section 254(e), or that they will only use the support they receive during the four quarters of 2010 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended under and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101 throughout each respective company's study area:

LIST OF COMPANIES

Absaraka Co-operative Telephone Company, Inc.	North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership
Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership	North Dakota 5 – Kidder Limited Partnership
BEK Communications Cooperative	North Dakota Network Co.
Bismarck MSA Limited Partnership	North Dakota RSA 3 of North Dakota Limited Partnership
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC	North Dakota Telephone Company
Consolidated Telcom	Northwest Communications Cooperative, a Cooperative Association
Dakota Central Telecom I	Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership
Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative	Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation
Dickey Rural Access, Inc.	Polar Telcom, Inc.
Dickey Rural Communications Inc.	RC Communications, Inc.
Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative	Red River Rural Telephone Association
Griggs County Telephone Company	Reservation Telephone Cooperative
Halstad Telephone Company	Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association
Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC	Sagebrush Cellular, Inc.
James Valley Telecommunications	SRT Communications, Inc.
Loretel Systems, Inc.	Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc.
Midcontinent Communications	United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation
Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative Inc.	Venture Communications Cooperative
Midstate Communications Inc.	WWC Holding Co., Inc. (Alltel)
Midstate Telephone Company	
Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.	

Moore & Liberty Telephone Company
Nemont Telephone Cooperative Inc.

West River Cooperative Telephone Company
West River Telecommunications Cooperative
Wolverton Telephone Company

2. The NDPSC certification is based upon the affidavits filed by the foregoing named Eligible Telecommunications Carriers.

3. The North Dakota Public Service Commission will send a copy of each of the filed affidavits to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Tony Clark
Commissioner


Kevin Cramer
Chairman


Brian P. Kalk
Commissioner

COMPANY NAME	STUDY AREA CODE
Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc.	381601
BEK Communications Cooperative	381604
Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership	389009
Bismarck MSA Limited Partnership	389005
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC	381131
Consolidated Telcom	381607
Dakota Central Telcom	381610
Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative	381610
Dickey Rural Access, Inc.	381611
Dickey Rural Communications, Inc.	381611
Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative	381611
Griggs County Telephone Company	381615
Halstad Telephone Company	361401 & 389002
Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC	381616
James Valley Telecommunications	391664
Loretel Systems, Inc.	361443
Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	482246
MidContinent Communications	389011
Midstate Communications, Inc.	381638
Midstate Telephone Company	381617

COMPANY NAME	STUDY AREA CODE
Missouri Valley Communications	382247
Moore and Liberty Telephone Company	381622
Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	382247
North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership	389006
North Dakota 5 - Kidder Limited Partnership	389010
North Dakota Network Co.	389004
North Dakota RSA 3 Limited Partnership	389008
North Dakota Telephone Company	381447
Northwest Communications Cooperative, a Cooperative Association	381625
Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership	389007
Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation	381630 & 381614
Polar Telcom, Inc.	389003
RC Communications, Inc.	391674
Red River Rural Telephone Association	381631
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	381632
Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association	391674
SRT Communications, Inc.	383303
Sagebrush Cellular, Inc.	389013
Turtle Mountain Communications	381636
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation	381636

COMPANY NAME	STUDY AREA CODE
Venture Communications Cooperative	391680
WWC Holding Co., Inc. d/b/a Alltel	389001
West River Cooperative Telephone Company, Bison SD	381637
West River Telecommunications Cooperative	381637
Wolverton Telephone Company	381509

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF ABSARAKA COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE CO., INC.
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT


State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Cass)

Steve Monilaws, does hereby swear and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is President of the Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Co., Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company").
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter the "PSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, the "FCC"), dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. 54.314. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the PSC dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2010, and for all quarters thereafter.
5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2010 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. 54.314. The Company will use the Support to support the following services: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

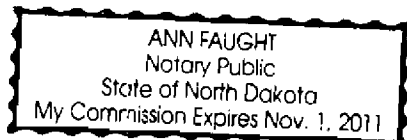
Dated this 7 day of Sept, 2009.

Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Co., Inc.


Steve Monilaws
President

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Cass)

On this 4th of Sept, 2009 before me a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared. Steve Monilaws, known to me to be the President of Absaraka Cooperative Telephone Co., Inc., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



Ann Faught
Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: _____

**BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45**

**AFFIDAVIT OF BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Kidder)

Derrick Bulawa, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by BEK Communications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2010 and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2010 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to

emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

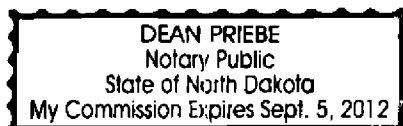
Dated this 10 day of August, 2009.

BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

By *[Signature]*
Derrick Bulawa
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Kidder)

On this 10 day of August, 2009, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DERRICK BULAWA, known to me to be the Manager of BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



[Signature]
_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 9-5-12

**BEFORE THE
NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AND BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45**

**AFFIDAVIT OF
BADLANDS CELLULAR OF NORTH DAKOTA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-1225-03-600, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389009 to the Company.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314, which require certification to the FCC and USAC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2010.

5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support it receives will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will also use the Support to provide the following services or functionalities, as described in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101(a)(1)-(9), throughout the Company's designated areas: (a) voice-grade access to the public switched telephone network; (b) local

usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent); (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

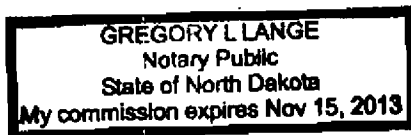
Dated this 21st day of July, 2009.

Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited
Partnership

By Albert Grosz
Albert Grosz
President, Badlands Cellular, Inc., General
Partner of Badlands Cellular of North Dakota
Limited Partnership

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Burlingame)

On this 21 day of July, 2009, before me, a Notary Public in and for said
County and State, personally appeared Albert Grosz, President, Badlands Cellular, Inc., general
partner of Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership.



Gregory L. Lange
Notary Public
My Commission expires 11-15-2013

**BEFORE THE
NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**AND BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45**

**AFFIDAVIT OF
BISMARCK MSA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

The undersigned, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is the corporate officer responsible for certifying the use of high-cost federal universal service support (hereinafter "Support") by Bismarck MSA Limited Partnership (hereinafter "Company").

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(c) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal Support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. By Order dated February 25, 2004, in Case No. PU-494-03-602, the North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter "NDPSC") designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier. The Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has assigned study area code ("SAC") 389005 to the Company.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support to be received by the Company, and with how the Company will use all of the Support that it receives.

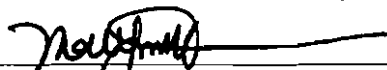
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314, which require certification to the FCC and USAC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services within which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the NDPSC's Orders concerning certification as to the use of federal Support, including the NDPSC's August 28, 2002 Order in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2010.

5. The Company hereby certifies that the federal Support it receives will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will also use the Support to provide the following services or functionalities, as described in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101(a)(1)-(9), throughout the Company's designated areas: (a) voice-grade access to the public switched telephone network; (b) local

usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent); (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

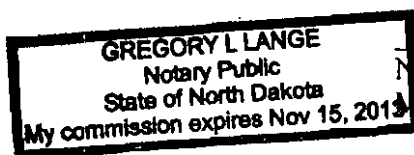
Dated this 20th day of July, 2009.

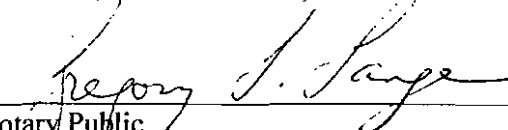
Bismarck MSA Limited Partnership

By 
Mark R. Smith
General Partner, Bismarck MSA Limited
Partnership

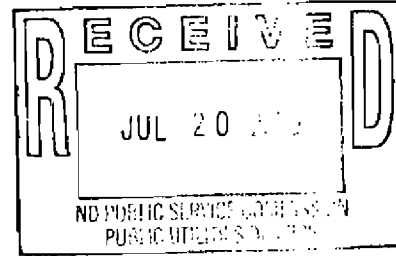
State of North Dakota)
County of Burleigh) ss.

On this 21 day of July, 2009, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Mark R. Smith, General Partner, Bismarck MSA Limited Partnership.




Notary Public
My Commission expires 11-15-2013

AFFIDAVIT



STATE OF NEW YORK)
)ss.
COUNTY OF MONROE)

Gregg Sayre, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC (the "Company"), as its Assistant Secretary. Affiant is an officer of the Company and is authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is provided to support the request of the Company for certification by the North Dakota Public Service Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

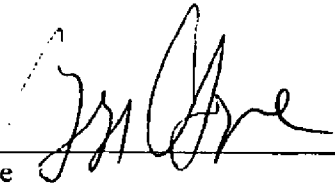
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2010, and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2010 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to

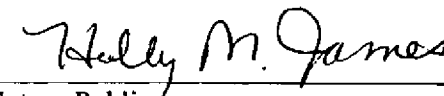
interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


Name

STATE OF NEW YORK)
)ss.
COUNTY OF MONROE)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of July, 2009.


Notary Public

HOLLY M. JAMES
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Monroe County
My Commission Expires Nov. 30, 2010

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF CONSOLIDATED TELCOM REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Stark)

Paul Schuetzler, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Consolidated Telcom (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001, in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002, in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2010, and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2010 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to

emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

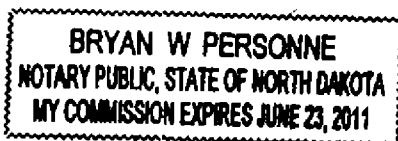
Dated this 10TH day of August, 2009.

CONSOLIDATED TELCOM

By Paul Schuetzler
Paul Schuetzler
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Stark)

On this 10TH day of August, 2009, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared PAUL SCHUETZLER, known to me to be the Manager of CONSOLIDATED TELCOM, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



Bryan W. Personne
Bryan W. Personne, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 6/23/2011

**BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45**

**AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF THE USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SUPPORT**

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)

Keith A. Larson, being first dully sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon
affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. (hereinafter, the
"Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of
Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "ACT"),
and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support
(hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public
Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an
eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company,
and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the
Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, the "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in
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Support for all four quarters of 2010 and for all quarters thereafter.
5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the
Company receives during the four quarters of 2010 (and all quarters thereafter) for the
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Dated this 11th day of August, 2009.

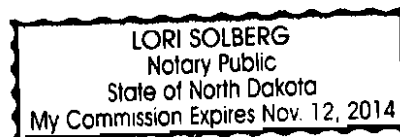
DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, INC.

By *Keith A. Larson*
Keith A. Larson
Its: General Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)

On this 11th day of August 2009, before me, a Notary Public in and for this said County and State, personally appeared KEITH LARSON, known to me to be the General Manager of DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, INC, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Lori Solberg
Notary Public for the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 11/12/2014



BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-02-441
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)

Keith Larson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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